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Number of the charge in | Not to be used in trial

Phil. July 15, 1852 Report on an Investigation
into the official conduct of the Chief Coiner
by Geo N. Clark, Esq., of New York
To H. Hobart, Esq., U. S. Attorney

2nd Charge

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and in that said Peale, had, without authority of
law, made use of the materials and machinery of the
Mint to carry on an extensive lucrative and
unproper business of manufacturing medals, tokens,
or ornamental and other objects of the U. S.,
except for the precious metals contained
and perhaps the copper or other material.

4th Charge

"Appropriation. This was brought to gain
of that he which he was not legally entitled.

Specification

1. In that said Franklin Peale, as aforesaid,
repeatedly required working of the Mint to labor for
his benefit, appropriating to himself the value of said
labor; and especially, that he has ~~had~~, carried on,
in the Mint, an extensive business of manufacturing
medals for sale; without authority, of law, ~~with~~ with
expenses of the United States, except for the metals
whereof they were made, and, perhaps, some other
materials; and without just distribution of the
profits of said business & the value which
payed the labor?

R. L. D. McCallum
Princeton, Sept 4th 1851

There was no law respecting the plant compensation. They paid for it and the ^{other} ~~other~~ received compensation separately for it. Wedels were given by the plant to first individuals, societies and corporations in opposition as there were no taxes due to do to collect it. The next machinery and equipment were often idle part of the influx of California gold and had time to ~~to~~ meddle with metals. The metal was paid for but the workmen did their job as a favor to the owners and it was not required and did not interfere with production. Old machinery that was used was employed.

In some time past the Government have been in the habit of making sales, not only to the Government, but also to the public, such as tables, or painted iron utensils, &c., &c., but also for private persons and corporations, and this business won't have been carried on for this past, and the extent which has added largely to the improvement of their ships.

Such protection of industry is protection with a
vengeance. The whole business is wrong
and the officers engaged in it deserve the severest censure.
And if the president has overlooked such official
misconduct, the Congress should see to it, and
deal with ~~the~~ ~~bad~~ those who have
thus abused the responsible station they occupy,
as they justly merit.

~~Benjamin Franklin~~

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It does not appear by the published laws of the United States that Congress has given authority to persons employed in the Mint thus to convert it into a workshop for their private gain, nor even that medals may be made in the Mint for the Government as a source of pecuniary benefit to its salaries officers. But however that may be, there can be no sufficient valid excuse offered to justify these officers in employing the facilities of the Mint, at the expense of U.S. to make medals for private persons and institutions and for their own gain, thereby interfering and competing with the legitimate art and industry of the country, to the disadvantage thereof. Such protection of industry is protection with a vengeance. The whole business is corrupt and the officers engaged in it deserve the severest censure. And if the president has overlooked such official misconduct, then Congress should see to it, and deal with those who have thus abused the responsible station they occupy as they justly merit.

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Mount of the United States
Philadelphia Aug 17, 1860
Engines Dept.

Dear Sir:

(13th) In reflecting upon the suggestion made in your Office on Mon.
relative to the expediency of adopting some modification of the
existing system for the better security of the dies etc - a more precise and detailed
consideration of the subject has led me to believe, however, that
the present system - necessary process conducted in the course, however, can
not be entirely dispensed with, but that it may be well worth adopting to the following
As the only Office directly responsible for the security of engines, & parts, the
Dept. is the proper one of be it ever so small, to make up for the want, the
use of the dies & parts belonging to the Engineers Dept. - the said dies &
parts are controlled by that office.

Any authority given to my office which provides to have the control
of the property of the Dept. besides securing his responsibility necessarily
regarding the same - seems to me to be a good & safe way to conduct proceedings
when such a significant document.

To go back to the subject, which is now somewhat modified
it should be allowed to the engineer from time to time to
the Engineers Dept. with an order from the Engineer specifying the
number of the dies - the number to be struck on the engine or elsewhere
in such form, as he may, select, name & sign to be put by the
engineer to each die, should be placed under seal, with intelligible
descriptions attached.

In addition to this arrangement, see to have a book for the purpose of all the
existing dies - stating where they are kept & under what conditions.

These dies no longer in use which it may till be deemed
necessary to preserve, should be placed under seal, with intelligible
descriptions attached.

If the changes proposed to above make satisfaction
concerning I shall be happy to confer with you more definitely,
regarding the rules that may be required to give them effect.

Very Respectfully, - J. R. Snodderly

J. R. Snodderly, Eng

John B. Longfellow.

Mount of the United States Engineers Dept Philadelphia
Aug 22, 1860.

Dear Sir

I agree to your request & make the following suggestions in relation to the use
and control of the Engineers Dept.

I propose 1st a book to enter the dies with number & description of each die, the
number of the "Engineers Dies", to be marked with a mark consisting of the letter E
preceded by the number & described.

2d in the book the last in which a memorandum shall be made of all
descriptions of parts belonging to the dies, not less than the date of the completion
of each part.

These dies, upon the completion of the dies, or before, shall be forwarded
& kept in the Engineers Dept by such persons as shall be designated in the book.

3d when any die is required for use, I shall be required to sign my name to the
number of the die in order securing the dies, & persons & material in which it is
to be used to be placed in the hands of the Engineers Dept, & to be taken & delivered
when used.

4th No die to be used in the stocks, unless ~~it~~ belonging to the
Dept & it is to be used by the Engineers, on any particular occasion & only by
them, & the book to be given to the direction of the Director of Engineers.

5th about the same stage to be continuing till to the next
affectionate, & cordial & frequently, - the 1st coin
models that may otherwise be proper to this department

With great respect to

Dr. W. Scott

John B. Longfellow.

John B. Longfellow, Eng

Robert Patterson, Esq
Director of the Mint

Department of State
May 1, 1803

Sir:

In consequence of a representation from the Director of the Bank of the United States that considerable purchases have been made of dollars coined at the mint for the purpose of exporting them, and as it is probable further purchases and exportations will be made, the President directs that all the silver to be coined at the mint shall be of small denominations, so that the value of the largest piece shall not exceed half a dollar.

I am, etc

James Madison

Madison was Secy of State under Jefferson

Bullion value being greater than face value

It was 416 grains, but half dollar, ~~and~~ greater den. & value were equivalent.

See Dec 1933 p 762
for solution

Boston, Mass; Nov. 12, 1861.

Hon. James Pollock,
Director of the Mint of the United States.

The undersigned, a committee of the Boston Numismatic Society, were instructed to call your attention to the abuses which have of late years been practiced at the Mint of the United States, whereby numbers of Pattern pieces, and coins from dies of former years, have been freely struck, and disposed of by Employes of the Mint to dealers who have in turn disposed of them at great prices. Two years since Members of this Society were offered specimens of the dollar of 1804, of which, previously only three or four examples were known; on applying to the Director of the Mint he peremptorily replied that none had been struck; further investigation resulted in the fact being proven that three specimens had been struck, two of which had been sold for \$75.00 each; various pattern pieces, in large numbers, have also been issued without the sanction of the proper officers. Under these circumstances we respectfully urge the expediency of destroying the dies of the current coin, and also of pattern pieces at the close of each year.

Very Respectfully Yours,

George W. Pratt

Winslow Lewis

Henry Avenport

Jacob Colburn

GOVERNOR

Nov. 21 (1861)

Gentlemen

Yours of the 12 inst. has been rec'd.

The abuses to which you refer, if they have ever had an existence, can no longer be practiced in this Institution. The practice of striking pattern pieces and coins from dies of former years cannot be too strongly condemned; and great care is now taken to prevent the re-currence of any such abuse. All the dies of former years are secured in such manner that it is impossible for any one to obtain possession of them without the knowledge of the director. The dies of the current coins and of pattern pieces will be destroyed at the close of the year. The dies of the past few years have also been destroyed.

J. A. Pollock

Director

Acted up to

On June 20th 1800. Not far from where
I am now engaged in the vicinity of the
City of Boston, I was informed by our friends
and by the slaves themselves of the number of
men who were collected at New Bedford, 2000.
The slaves given over to the masters have been
fully searched and registered by Captain of the first
to dealers who have no bad feelings of any sort, and
the goods are sent to the city of Boston, and the amount
of the value of 1500. of these slaves, only about 100
examples are shown to be offering to the market, and
not a single slave under the age of 18 years, and
quite young, and selected in the first class, and
it is observed that the slaves are generally
from 18 to 20 years, some of them being in long service, and
it is known without the question of any one, that
they are sold principally to the cotton plantations
of Georgia and Mississippi, and also of course
that it is only a small part.

Very truly yours

John White
New Bedford
Massachusetts
July 10th 1800

Enclosed

Samuel Moore in Report of Auditor of the Mint for 1826 states that
"a large quantity of silver in refuse and dollars was deposited in 1825
because of a suggestion that the form of the coins would not enter export
Woodward in 1825 said 1000 dollars were still available."

Nov 1, 1861. Rockwood New Government about "balance of last year"

such pattern & coins, as well as - 1000 dollars to dealers
and 1500 dollars up to 1859 & don't want said coins and stocks
and this was stated positively & said to be true.

Nov 1, 1861. Dr. George Fullock, Durbin, says

plenty of the wanted, and he quoted a good London stock, with foreign
gold, All the old standard & gold coins were given up the day before
the year to be discontinued.

1833-34-35. Half dollar was in circulation. 1834-35-36 others were
not used - 1836 they say that's the fact you never heard mention of but
they were not used much less than used.

James H. French about 1850 or late in 1840 collected stocks & coins.

The specimen new & published seems kept for only

negative or no monetary value known in 1850.

In Bullion Journal A date of 8/1/55, "3000 dollars, half dollar Spanish collar
weight & 1/2 oz. fine silver. This is the same coin. (No date on 1850
specimen) & 1852 & 1853. It also says & Coined US

NY being coined in 1850 says we must assume the first ones were by mistake
of mint for several years. Cost of 1/2 an acre for a plot of ground - 1/2 mile
square - 1/2 acre to support - a house & needed to only.

1852-1853 when first date seen nothing visible of a minted coin
but 1850 date found to be real, but don't find anything else in perfect
condition and don't know more.

1804 Eagle restrike has a number like 1804-1804-1804-1804 dollar

1804 eagle has no number on the base

1804 half cent makes no number

Nov 1, 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841 etc. late (from the mint) half cents

1840 eagle none, 1844-6-7-8 (from the mint)

~~1844 eagle~~

On the 1804 dollars the letters of the I, D, W and A is not
higher than says the monetary U.S. - 1804 dollar

1804 restrike is the same

in 1860 Congress ruled old mint coinage could not be used except to be used
and they were to be replaced for new. Mint coinage made to be

striking dies which about 1818. Systematic striking began around 1820
1821-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100-101-102-103-104-105-106-107-108-109-110-111-112-113-114-115-116-117-118-119-120-121-122-123-124-125-126-127-128-129-130-131-132-133-134-135-136-137-138-139-140-141-142-143-144-145-146-147-148-149-150-151-152-153-154-155-156-157-158-159-160-161-162-163-164-165-166-167-168-169-170-171-172-173-174-175-176-177-178-179-180-181-182-183-184-185-186-187-188-189-190-191-192-193-194-195-196-197-198-199-200-201-202-203-204-205-206-207-208-209-210-211-212-213-214-215-216-217-218-219-220-221-222-223-224-225-226-227-228-229-230-231-232-233-234-235-236-237-238-239-240-241-242-243-244-245-246-247-248-249-250-251-252-253-254-255-256-257-258-259-260-261-262-263-264-265-266-267-268-269-270-271-272-273-274-275-276-277-278-279-280-281-282-283-284-285-286-287-288-289-290-291-292-293-294-295-296-297-298-299-300-301-302-303-304-305-306-307-308-309-310-311-312-313-314-315-316-317-318-319-320-321-322-323-324-325-326-327-328-329-330-331-332-333-334-335-336-337-338-339-340-341-342-343-344-345-346-347-348-349-350-351-352-353-354-355-356-357-358-359-360-361-362-363-364-365-366-367-368-369-370-371-372-373-374-375-376-377-378-379-380-381-382-383-384-385-386-387-388-389-390-391-392-393-394-395-396-397-398-399-400-401-402-403-404-405-406-407-408-409-410-411-412-413-414-415-416-417-418-419-420-421-422-423-424-425-426-427-428-429-430-431-432-433-434-435-436-437-438-439-440-441-442-443-444-445-446-447-448-449-450-451-452-453-454-455-456-457-458-459-460-461-462-463-464-465-466-467-468-469-470-471-472-473-474-475-476-477-478-479-480-481-482-483-484-485-486-487-488-489-490-491-492-493-494-495-496-497-498-499-500-501-502-503-504-505-506-507-508-509-510-511-512-513-514-515-516-517-518-519-520-521-522-523-524-525-526-527-528-529-530-531-532-533-534-535-536-537-538-539-540-541-542-543-544-545-546-547-548-549-550-551-552-553-554-555-556-557-558-559-5510-5511-5512-5513-5514-5515-5516-5517-5518-5519-5520-5521-5522-5523-5524-5525-5526-5527-5528-5529-5530-5531-5532-5533-5534-5535-5536-5537-5538-5539-5540-5541-5542-5543-5544-5545-5546-5547-5548-5549-5550-5551-5552-5553-5554-5555-5556-5557-5558-5559-5560-5561-5562-5563-5564-5565-5566-5567-5568-5569-55610-55611-55612-55613-55614-55615-55616-55617-55618-55619-55620-55621-55622-55623-55624-55625-55626-55627-55628-55629-55630-55631-55632-55633-55634-55635-55636-55637-55638-55639-55640-55641-55642-55643-55644-55645-55646-55647-55648-55649-55650-55651-55652-55653-55654-55655-55656-55657-55658-55659-55660-55661-55662-55663-55664-55665-55666-55667-55668-55669-55670-55671-55672-55673-55674-55675-55676-55677-55678-55679-55680-55681-55682-55683-55684-55685-55686-55687-55688-55689-55690-55691-55692-55693-55694-55695-55696-55697-55698-55699-556100-556101-556102-556103-556104-556105-556106-556107-556108-556109-556110-556111-556112-556113-556114-556115-556116-556117-556118-556119-556120-556121-556122-556123-556124-556125-556126-556127-556128-556129-556130-556131-556132-556133-556134-556135-556136-556137-556138-556139-556140-556141-556142-556143-556144-556145-556146-556147-556148-556149-556150-556151-556152-556153-556154-556155-556156-556157-556158-556159-556160-556161-556162-556163-556164-556165-556166-556167-556168-556169-556170-556171-556172-556173-556174-556175-556176-556177-556178-556179-556180-556181-556182-556183-556184-556185-556186-556187-556188-556189-556190-556191-556192-556193-556194-556195-556196-556197-556198-556199-556200-556201-556202-556203-556204-556205-556206-556207-556208-556209-556210-556211-556212-556213-556214-556215-556216-556217-556218-556219-556220-556221-556222-556223-556224-556225-556226-556227-556228-556229-556230-556231-556232-556233-556234-556235-556236-556237-556238-556239-556240-556241-556242-556243-556244-556245-556246-556247-556248-556249-556250-556251-556252-556253-556254-556255-556256-556257-556258-556259-556260-556261-556262-556263-556264-556265-556266-556267-556268-556269-556270-556271-556272-556273-556274-556275-556276-556277-556278-556279-556280-556281-556282-556283-556284-556285-556286-556287-556288-556289-556290-556291-556292-556293-556294-556295-556296-556297-556298-556299-556300-556301-556302-556303-556304-556305-556306-556307-556308-556309-556310-556311-556312-556313-556314-556315-556316-556317-556318-556319-556320-556321-556322-556323-556324-556325-556326-556327-556328-556329-556330-556331-556332-556333-556334-556335-556336-556337-556338-556339-556340-556341-556342-556343-556344-556345-556346-556347-556348-556349-556350-556351-556352-556353-556354-556355-556356-556357-556358-556359-556360-556361-556362-556363-556364-556365-556366-556367-556368-556369-556370-556371-556372-556373-556374-556375-556376-556377-556378-556379-556380-556381-556382-556383-556384-556385-556386-556387-556388-556389-556390-556391-556392-556393-556394-556395-556396-55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Proof rolls, coinage begun Nov 1. 1836
Reduction in diameter $\frac{1}{2} \text{ in}$

Letter R.M. Patterson to Adam Eckfeldt 9/22/36

R.M. Patterson to George Newhard, Sept 6, 1836
Bk 9 Amherst, N.Y.

R.H. Patterson to ^{Geo} Worlbury Nov 8. 1836 —

~~M.~~ Director Robert ^M Patterson in his letter of
~~September~~ September 22, 1836 to Adam Eckfeldt, Chief Coiner
requested the Eckfeldt rollers to be struck temporarily in
"the large screw press, the pieces being struck in a close ~~recessed~~
or grooved collar."

~~Received at my 1834 half rolls for a~~
~~revised flat border.~~

Record Group 59

Records of the Dept of State. Communications from
Special Agents No 37 Ruled Vol 10 2/1/1832-3/4/37

Ed. S. Roberts, Secy Agt of US to negotiate ~~and~~ commercial
Treaties with Muscat, Siam, Cochinchina, Burma, Archen,
+ Japan

Treaties with Siam ⁽¹⁸³³⁾ and Muscat (1833)

Muscat presents ^{from U.S.} did not include coins (gold enameled watch stars)
pearls, tea, ~~etc.~~

Sultan wrote Arabic only - He wrote ^{Persian} Jackson Oct 7 1833

Portsmouth N.H. Oct 8, 1834 from Edmond Roberts to John F. Wright
Relative to gifts for Sultan Muscat

"I am sending a less & more select articles ~~to~~ a small ^{Se. 1 file} ~~one~~ to
represent the Sultan, but I suppose a complete set of new ~~silver~~
gold - silver + copper coins of the U.S. neatly arranged in a wooden case
& also some old ones covering would be proper to send nothing
to the Sultan, but to other ^{Asians} ~~Asians~~."

maps, freedoms, swords, but few ship models math. etc.

March 31, 1835 - Recomference of last, two for Sultan of Muscat

"A set of gold, silver + copper coins of the ~~U.S.~~ ^{U.S.} also
the 2nd set of coins, ~~one~~ ^{one} for the Sultan.

NY Apr 21, 1835

Edmund Roberts to John Forsyth Esq, of State

" I rec'd the small package containing the two sets of coins from the Director of the Mint by S. Swartwout Esq. - as it was sent per mail, it was taxed with a heavy postage & I therefore added a 75 cents which I paid to Mr. S."

Bombay Oct 23, 1835 Edmund Roberts to John Forsyth Esq., New York
The presents were delivered in good order. We left Mysore
on the 10th inst, arrived here today,

Edmund Roberts died of dysentery at Macao on Jan 12, 1836
U.S. Flag Ship Peacock off Canton.

Roberts memo book shows:

Oct 1, 1835

" One box Coins (American)"

On Apr 5, 1836 King of Siam was given
1 case U.S. Coins 1 package

Aug 1962

Omitted (1804 material) from book

Letter to Snouder July 19, 1860 asking if 1804 dollar
was received - Answer ^{is} from Snouder
that as I have given you my debt says
~~the~~ no news of long so.

(From Tracy (set photo to copy))

Ferguson, H. in vol. 6 p. 39, Stein 921
long gone + about 1804 dollar
long of future due date or coins.
"ought to stand ready"

*the matter of the cases for the coins was further
covered in the following letter dated December 2, 1834:*

Department of State
Washington City
December 2d 1834

Sir

next
As the object of the Department in procuring the boxes for containing the coins intended to be sent as presents to Siam and Muscat is not only to preserve them from being soiled, but to show them to the greater advantage, the color of the interior lining and the form of construction are left to your discretion. It is also thought best upon reflection, that the whole of the work which is designed to be done upon the caskets should be executed at Philadelphia. After they have been prepared, therefore, in the way directed by a former letter from the Department, (~~Evidently that of Nov. 11, 1834 above referred to - W.B.~~) you will please to have them decorated on the exterior with some suitable device in gilding displaying the national emblems, the Eagle, stars, &c., in such manner as may be agreeable to your taste, or that of the artist employed. For the additional expense thus incurred, which it is presumed will not be considerable, you will be at liberty also to draw on the Department. If the articles are received here by the 20th of December, they will be in time to answer the purpose for which they are designed.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Very Resp.

John Forsyth

To Doct Samuel Moore
Director of the Mint

~~The Coin Collector's Journal
March-April, May-June, 1953, pp.1,2~~

-8/21/62

Samuel Moore, Esq.
Director of the Mint, Phila.

Department of State

W. 31 March 1835.

Sir,

I will thank you to cause to be prepared two sets of the coins of the United States in caskets, similar to those already prepared for this Department. It is desired that they should be ready in time for the sailing of the United States sloop of war Peacock. That ship is now at Newyork under sailing orders, but her departure will, probably, be delayed until the 10th of April. As soon as they are ready, you will send them addressed to Edmund Roberts Esq. under cover to the collector of the customs. The colours of the casket's and of the linings is left to your own taste. It is hoped that all practicable despatch will be used in the fulfilment of this request.

I am, Sir, your obedt. Servt.

Signed - John Forsyth

internal, & have been open & stated, up to now to assure the public, that there is a system of suitable checks & guards, against any undue or secret issues.

While private for whom may be regarded as a public exigency, nothing so frivolous & trivial, as to offend constitutional principles, & M-16, is not intended to interfere w/ private citizens in their ~~business~~ ^{operations} & the operations in this line, so far as it can be done w/o the loss of the specific duties of the constitution, & that of the right & liberty to execute my revenue laws, that I merely do what is necessary, or for the protection of the public interest, & whatever is done is held to be done by a duly functioning authority, & not for ~~private~~ ^{public} body, except it be a part of performing my ~~private~~ ^{public} duty.

When in full force, it will be advantageously to have it done at a time, when the people will be least likely to be taken off by Confederate agents, & to be Confederate agents, & all Confederate & Confederate to the Confederacy, & doing away with all subject public offices.

The Confederate Rebel are in plain treason, & having no man States + Confederacy. It may be said, however, in regard to the Rebels against Confederacy, that they are in private, & while I suppose so much the same patterns & similar yes as a Confederate Confederate as the Confederacy + Confederacy, especially if the going out Confederate Confederate & Confederate heads are taken away, there is no such Confederacy to be had, & a Confederacy Confederacy to be had.

For a small number, one or two, in Confederacy in Confederacy & Confederacy but the Confederacy + Confederacy + Confederacy Confederacy + Confederacy also that Confederacy ~~to~~ Confederacy to exist + Confederacy & Confederacy Confederacy + Confederacy, they is the Confederacy + Confederacy.

RULES

all descriptions notice. To rule, however, is not
nearly so good and I would prefer to have a
rule about 8-10% to cover the whole
Earnings shall be converted to the next
higher fraction to be paid to

H - P L -

Q - -

Captain

LIST OF MEDALS APPENDIX

March 31 1835

Presents for the King & Chief Ministers of Siam

2 swords, 2 horses, 10 pairs of large seeds
incapsulated 5 pairs of stone statutes

" It is also proposed to present to the King of
Siam in addition to the articles above enumerated
as intended for him, a set of Arms and a set
of Regal Plates."

List of Articles proposed to be sent to the
Emperor of China

- " A set of gold Saber & copper arms of the U. States
A Map of the U. States
A rifle and a pair of pistols
A sword
A silk flag of the U. States
2 pairs of embroidery

Edmund Roberts Spec Agent had executive appointment
not confirmed by Congress.

Spec Agent to extend commerce of the
US with ~~India~~ powers of the Indian and Pacific
oceans and Muscat, Siam, Cochinchina, Borneo
and Japan.

Jan 27, 1832 (1:73-5) ✓

1:76 ✓

Feb 14

1:76-8

Mar 23

1:78

Aug 5

1:78

Oct 28

1:78-81

Aug 5, 1834 1:108-9

Aug 21 1:109-11

Sept 18
26 1:111-12

Dec 8 1:122

Jan 30, 1835 1:125

Feb 31 Mar 1:129-40

Apr 3-17 1:142-52

Apr 18 1:145-55

Aug 27 1:158

To Consuls 1:181

re Roberts

Edmund Roberts. Special Agent
Appointed by president Jackson (not confirmed by Congress)
First instructions 27 Jan 1832 from Edw. Livingston
Pay \$6⁰⁰ per day plus expense - U.S. Sloop of War Peacock
\$500 for presents - Blank reports to fill in.
Will pretend he is Captain's Clerk

July 20 1832 ~~to the amount of~~ "Husband your presents as much as possible
going only what you find essential." Among the
articles sent out are some I no great value
"the ~~one~~ green + the under pieces where you first
land."

After Muscat, the Brunei, ~~the~~ Siam + Cochin China,
Sumatra, Malacca, Borneo

Oct 28 1832 Shipping "arms and accoutrements" ~~with~~ 8 cts
Go to Japan if you wish

Oct 28, 1832 ~~to~~ ^{instructs from} "Draft of treaty with Cochin China

Aug 5, 1834 from John Forsyth
"I will thank you for a description of a sketch
of the world which you think should be prepared
and to Siam"

He had reports from Calcutta + Siam + was
asked for a report on Muscat.

Sept 1 1834 "the presents promised on the ~~set out~~"
"For the present of One Hundred Dollars, to the ^(prime minister)
P'ha^{Klong} ~~King~~ of Siam, in which you state was omitted
to be charged on your account ***"

9/18/34 To Roberts at Portsmouth N.H.

William M. Rice Esq., the District Attorney, of the U.S. at New York has been requested to procure the various presents to be sent to the King of Spain and his Chief Minister when the Treaty is forwarded for ratification ***

As it is not thought expedient (if the practicable) to purchase the States, it is desirable to know what other gift, within the bounds of a moderate expenditure, would be likely to be most acceptable to the King.

10/16/34 asking for suggestion of presents to be tendered on ratification of Treaty with Sultan of Muscat.

"without regard to large expenditure of money" (~~not if~~)

11/8/34 Articles will be ready to go

11/30/35 wire about the payment of the money to the P.M. ~~Palace~~ ^{Palace}

Mar 16/35 Slipping back, March, 1835

"and in the meantime to send to the Department without the least delay, a list of the presents which should be necessary to take with you to be used in the port of, I suppose the negotiations, in addition to those which will be given in possession from a former purchase and which ~~you~~ you will beg of you to New-York under the charge, the article yet to be procured together with your instructions and such other documents as are requisite, will be delivered to you at that city."

Mar 17, 1835

What happened to the presents you received

3/10/35 Purchased presents for Siam & Muscat stored in N.Y.

3/31/35 To Edmond Roberts at N.Y. from John Forsyth

A letter has been written from the Department to the Director of the Mint requesting that the coins mentioned in the lists may be put up in a proper manner and be forwarded to you at New York, under cover to the Collector of the Port.

Two lists

~~First~~ Presents for Cochin China

"A set of coins of the United States & the U.S.
" "Set of coins from the United States"
Map of U.S., ~~the~~ splendid Silver, many pieces
Enclosed by gold watch, cut glass!

Ten Marine ships (2 brigs, + 8 ships)
Presents for Japan

A Set of coins of the U. States
and the same as for Cochin China

Rio
Jan 17, 1834

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March 1st

Mr. Predeke, the Captain of the Post,
came to converse about the presents intended
for the King, and ~~was~~ wished to know
of what they consisted. He said that before they
would be taken to the King, officers would
be sent to see that they were proper to be
delivered to him. He was told what the presents
consisted of, and that they were only a few
small articles, bought in China, by the Envoy
those sent out from the United States, not
having come to hand. But if the King favored
any particular things, and would mention
it before the departure of the Mission, they
should, he was told, be forwarded with
the ratification of the Treaty.

March 6 this evening Mr. Predeke paid a
half private, a half official visit, to inform
the Envoy, that, until the presents for the
King had been seen and reported on,
a day could not be appointed for the
audience of the King. repeat small present etc.

Rebels were found

pries asked etc

didn't like the



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showing head of nephew

\$100 present for showing heads

93

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In the afternoon of the 15th the Envoy
 and Suite dined by invitation
 at the Plaza Klange, in order to
 do honor to the ceremony of showing the heads
 of some of his children. This ceremony was re-
 performed when the children are about 13 or
 14, years of age as it is considered very important.
 The festivities last several days - and numerous
 presents are made to the father, consisting
 usually of greater or smaller sums of money.
 According to the custom of the country,
 the Envoy took a present of \$100 in his
 hand.



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Dear Barbara
 June 22 1853
 Dr. I must not omit
 to mention that presents
 are indispensable in these
 countries, and are considered as a mark
 of respect, they render the donor
 according to their
 magnitudes consequences both in
 the first instance and in the long run
 have you for the last time
 matters of course except barter
 and some

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23 plus intended for use as
specimens at C China Siam
Musens, but which unfortunately
arrived too late - taken aboard
the Peacock - if pos. carry them
back to Brazil or ret to sea
by merchant vessel

July 19 - I have kept on Board the Peacock of this
merchandise per Boxer package No 19 to 23 inclusive
Five packages - the remainder from No 1 to 18
inclusive - Eighteen packages I have sent by
Thompson Roberts & Co by the post ~~facto~~ American
Vessel for the U. States - neither the Peacock
or the Boxer could take any more of them
I have been under the necessity of paying an import
duty of one p. c. t. & other charges on them,
which must be placed to a new account. We
sail on the 21st for Mysore direct

ER

2 copies of Harry

101

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April 3

Late in the evening, the Phra Keng
sent his boat desiring to see the Envoy.
His object it appeared, was to state what presents
the King and himself desired to have sent
out with the ratification.

Mosquitos

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Scabbard & Potos
Corpsins (Bargay)

(78)

Oct 8, 1834

re presents 84

do you want more presents
Drop in Egypt

English do well
Yearly send so much
purple one

First off to make these observations
I am at a loss to know what
would be most convenient to